



VISITATION OF
Illustrious Noble Hubert McNeil Poteat

Imperial Potentate of the Imperial Council

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER OF THE NOBLES OF THE
MYSTIC SHRINE FOR NORTH AMERICA, 1949-50

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HOTEL STATLER, BOSTON
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Saturday, October seventh, nineteen hundred and fifty

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS



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HUBERT McNEIL POTEAT is a product of the finest traditions, influences, and training of the South. He was born December 12, 1886, in Wake Forest, North Carolina, the son of William Louis and Emma James (Purefoy) Poteat. His father was a member of the faculty of Wake Forest College, 1878-1938, and President of the College, 1905-1927. From his parents he inherited a sparkle and brilliance which characterize all that he does.

As a college student he demonstrated a versatility and excellence which have marked his subsequent years. During his undergraduate days he served as president of many campus organizations, was a leading member of the college glee club and orchestra, and made an enviable record in athletics. He received the A. B. degree from Wake Forest College in 1906 and the A. M. degree in 1908.

His outstanding record was continued in graduate school. He was granted a fellowship by Columbia University, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1912. At Columbia he continued to take an active part in extra-curricular organizations.

Although his varied activities have carried him to many sections of the nation, Dr. Poteat has spent most of his life in Wake Forest. He has been a member of the faculty of Wake Forest College since 1912. He was also a member of the faculty of Columbia University for the summer sessions of 1924-1942.

In 1912 he married Essie Moore Morgan. They have two sons; Hubert McNeil, Jr., who is a surgeon and William Morgan, an attorney. Both sons are Masons and Shriners. There are three grandchildren.

Hubert Poteat has taken a prominent part in many organizations. He is the author of no less than eight books and of numerous articles on educational, classical, Masonic, and Shrine topics. He is a past president of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association and of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South. He is a past vice-president of the American Classical League. He is a member of the American Philological Association and of the British Classical Association.

To the Wake Forest Baptist Church, of which he is a member, Dr. Poteat has also rendered devoted service as Sunday school teacher, Sunday school superintendent, church trustee, and deacon. For nearly forty years he was organist and choir director.

He is an accomplished recitalist and a composer of note. During his lifetime he has given approximately 250 organ recitals throughout the South. He has published several musical selections, including "Sudan Temple March" for band.

He is also prominent in social and honorary fraternity activities. He was a charter member of the Columbia University Chapter of Acacia. He is a past Executive Councilor of the Kappa Alpha Order. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa.

He has an enviable record of Masonic service and achievement. The day he was twenty-one years of age, he petitioned Wake Forest Lodge, No. 282, for the degrees in Masonry. He became a Master Mason February 18, 1908. In later years, first the Scottish Rite and then the York Rite claimed his interest. After receiving the degrees 4°-14° in the Lodge of Perfection and 15°-18° in the Chapter of Rose Croix in Raleigh, North Carolina, he received the Thirty-Second Degree in Wilmington Consistory, Wilmington, North Carolina, on November 21, 1919. He was initiated into Sudan Temple of the Shrine, New Bern, North Carolina, December 31, 1919. He is a member of Raleigh Commandery, Knights Templar. He was a charter member of New Bern Court, No. 145, Royal Order of Jesters.

An account of the offices which he has held, of the services which he has rendered, and of the richly deserved honors which he has received in Masonic organizations presents a veritable catalogue of Masonic Leadership.

He served as Master of his Blue Lodge in 1913-1915. He was Venerable Master of his Lodge of Perfection in 1923-24, and Wise Master of his Chapter of Rose Croix in 1922-23. On October 21, 1927, he received the Thirty-Third Degree.

At the age of thirty-six he was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, 1923-1924, and gave his jurisdiction one of its greatest years. For twenty-five years he has been a member of the Executive Commission of the Masonic Service Association. He served as Potentate of Sudan Temple for the year 1930-1931. He was Sovereign, St. Titus Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, 1945-1946, and is a member of the Allied Masonic Degrees and of the Grand College of Rites of the U. S. A.

He was elected Imperial Outer Guard of the Imperial Council at Indianapolis on June 11, 1941. To teach office and responsibility he has given the full measure of his time and ability, and his efforts have been crowned with that success which invariably attends whatever he does.

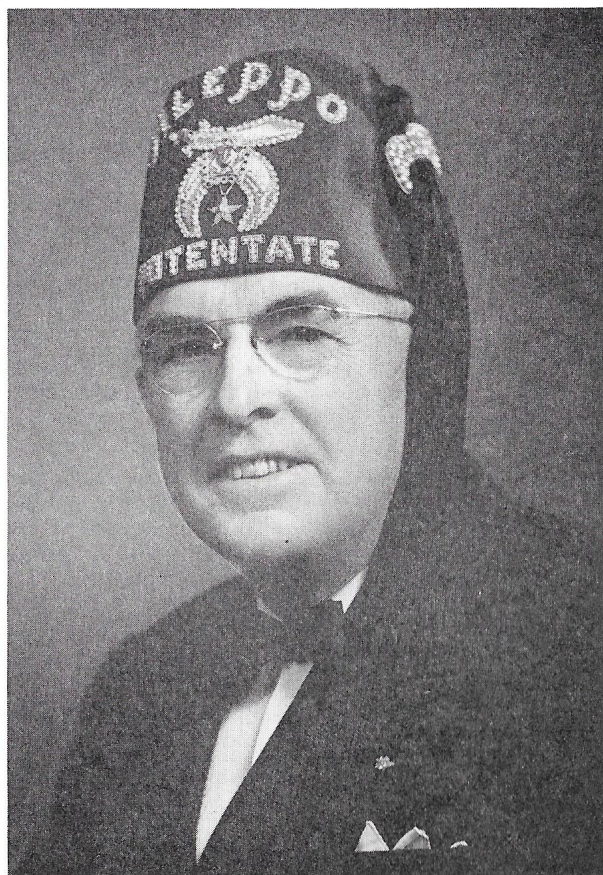
For years he has been in great demand as a ritualist in the various Masonic degrees and in the Shrine. His many speaking engagements all over the country attest the fact that he is one of Masonry's and the Shrine's great orators.

He is listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in American Education, Directory of American Scholars, International Blue Book, and Author's and Writer's Who's Who (London).

It is impossible to summarize a career so varied and so brilliant, but certain words are especially applicable to him. Versatility suits him exactly. He is teacher, scholar, author, musician, orator, and Masonic leader. Few individuals ever excel in so many fields of endeavor.

Another word which is especially suitable in describing him is usefulness. His whole philosophy of life is centered around the one aim to make himself useful to his fellow men.

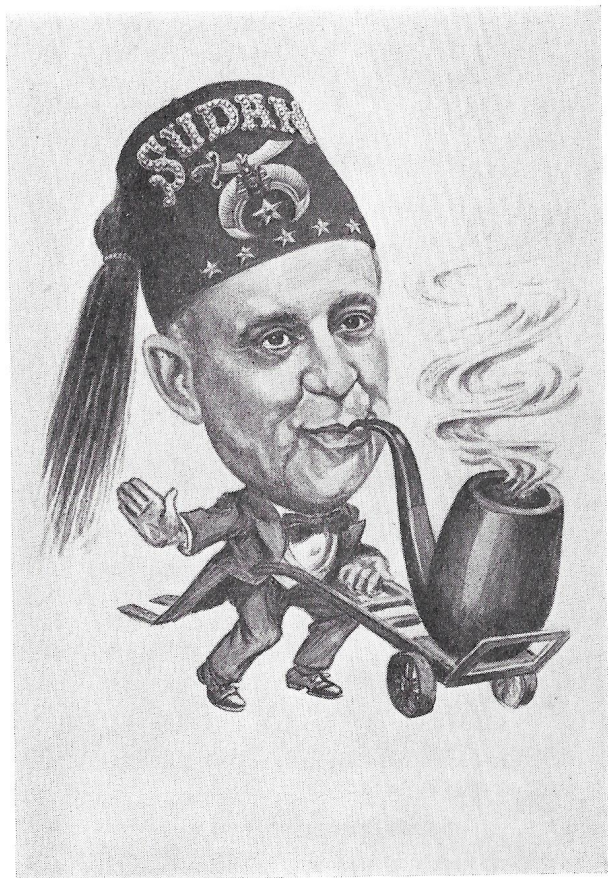
To know Hubert Poteat is to love him. Whoever associates with him is attracted and held by the charm of his glowing, human personality.



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N. RUSSELL LYNN
Potentate of Aleppo Temple



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ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.
Imperial Chief Rabban



The Imperial Potentate's Dinner

FRESH SHRIMP COCKTAIL SUPREME

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CREAM OF MUSHROOM STATLER
CROUTONS

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HEARTS OF CELERY — MIXED OLIVES
ROSE RADISHES

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BREAST OF PHEASANT ROTI
BREAD SAUCE AND CRUMBS
CONCORD GRAPE JELLY

ASPARAGUS HOLLANDAISE

PARISIENNE POTATOES

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SALAD CARIBBEAN

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CHERRIES JUBILEE
PETITS FOURS

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COFFEE

DIVAN OF ALEPPO TEMPLE, 1950

Elected

N. RUSSELL LYNN, ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE

ANDREW S. SEILER	Chief Rabban
LAWSON W. OAKES	Assistant Rabban
ARTHUR G. MacKENZIE	High Priest and Prophet
GERALD F. ZEDREN	Oriental Guide
JUSTIN A. DUNCAN	Treasurer
HARVEY B. LEGGEE	Recorder

Appointed

HERMAN C. McSTAY	First Ceremonial Master
ROGER P. BECKMAN	Second Ceremonial Master
FRANK W. WATSON	Director
WALTER W. BENSON	Marshal
REV. FRANK B. CRANDALL	Chaplain
REV. LUTHER WELLER	Chaplain
ROGER KEITH	Grand Lodge Representative
SAMUEL H. WRAGG	Grand Lodge Representative
CHARLES C. GRIMMONS	Captain of the Guard
THEODORE R. LOCKWOOD	Outer Guard
WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON	Inner Guard
CLARENCE BOHANON	Steward
WILLARD P. LOMBARD, P.P.	Ceremonial Director
MELVIN R. LYNN	Potentate's Adjutant
CLYDE L. CARTER	Potentate's Adjutant
DR. LOUIS F. SALERNO	Chief Surgeon
WILLARD C. LOMBARD	Deputy Captain of the Guard
ORRIN J. PETRIE	Transportation Director
BENJAMIN R. VAUGHAN	Commander, Uniformed Units
WILLIAM F. SHARPE, JR.	Captain, Arab Patrol
ALBERT A. SAUNDERS	Band Director
WALTER M. SMITH	Bandmaster
ALLAN W. PEIRCE	Captain, Mounted Patrol
HARRY S. MOREHOUSE	Potentate's Ambassador
FRANCIS E. HOMER	Ritualistic Degree Team Director
GLENWOOD J. SHERRARD	Business Councilor
GEORGE P. NASON	Financial Advisor
WILLIAM J. SHANNON	Aide to Imperial Officer
ROLAND PAUL	Potentate's Chief Aide
HAROLD H. TODD	Aide to the Potentate
JOHN M. FAIRBANKS	Aide to the Potentate
GIDEON T. SAWYER	Director of Entertainment
ALBERT THORLEY	Divan Guard
MERLE D. RIDER	Divan Guard
ROLAND J. KINSMAN	Divan Guard
GEORGE E. SMITH	Divan Guard

Living Past Potentates

CLARENCE J. McKENZIE
FRANK A. NORTH
HARRY G. POLLARD
JAMES J. CURRY
ROBERT G. WILSON, JR.

WILLARD P. LOMBARD
ARTHUR A. SONDHEIM
LIONEL G. H. PALMER
JUSTIN A. DUNCAN
FRANK B. ELLS